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In re Patent Application of

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Title:

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GENE ENCODING A PROTEIN HAVING AURONE SYNTHESIS ACTIVITY

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir							
Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$385.00 (2801) S770.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).							
1.		A.	App Cor	oplicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered.  ontinued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified in item 2 below.			
	B. Applicant(s) previously submitted the following documents for which continued examination is requested:						
			X	Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on May 6, 2003			
				Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on			
				Other:			
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3.	Small entity status is hereby claimed.

No additional claim fee is required.

The fee is calculated below on the basis of the highest number of claims already paid for in this application prior to this submission:

CLAIMS						
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Thus Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Fee	
Basic Application Fee (1001)						
Total Claims	29	MINUS 29 =	0	x \$18.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00	
Independent Claims	6	MINUS 6 =	0	x \$86.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00	
If Amendment adds r	nultiple depen	dent claims, add \$	290.00 (1203)			
Total Fee	\$ 770.00					
Small Entity Statu	\$ 0.00					
TOTAL FEE DUE	\$ 770.00					

4.	X	A check in the amount of	\$ 770.00	is enclosed for the fee due
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- 5: Charge \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
- Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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